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The Spanish brig "RODRIGO," will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 7th June next at 11 A.M.

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Hongkong, May 18, 1869.

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Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. OLIVER to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER
Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. D. O. CLARK, of our Firm, has been admitted as a partner from this date.

RUSSELL & CO.
China, January 1, 1869.

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MR. J. J. FARRER and Mr. JOHN FARRER, of our Firm, have been admitted as partners from this date.

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New Advertisements.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE AT No. 5, BATHMAN ROAD, W. Good Accommodation.

Apply at
THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, January 20, 1869.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, will in future be deliverable from the Office of the Under-Secretary of the Government, and the Chamber will be at the disposal of the Members, on application to the Secretary, who will furnish particulars of cost, &c.

W. WOOD,
Clerk of the Chamber,
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QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 1st June, 1869.

OPIMUM.—Paina, New, 500 nom.
Old, 500 nom.
Bamars, New, 500 nom.
Old, 500 nom.
Malwa, 500 nom.
COTTON.—Bamars, 17 1/2 a 21.
SHANGHAI, 17 1/2 a 21.

Exchange.

Bank, 6 months' sight, 4/8
On Calcutta, 5 days' sight, 2/3 1/2
On Bombay, 5 days' sight, 2/3 1/2
On Shanghai, 5 days' sight, 2/3 1/2
On Hongkong, 17 1/2 a 21.

Temperature.

HONGKONG, 1st June, 1869.
(Taken at Messrs. FALCONER & CO.'S PREMISES, QUEEN'S ROAD.)
THERMOMETER.—3 A.M., Dry, 83.
Do, 4 P.M., Wet, 80.
Do, 4 P.M., Dry, 85.
Do, 4 P.M., Wet, 80.
Self-registering Maximum, 87.
Minimum, 78.
Barometer, 30.02.
Do, 30.02.

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PRIOR TO DENTS.

A TABLE showing the Proposed Movements of the Mail Steamers of the P. & O. Company for the Year 1869, as approved by Her Majesty's Postmaster General, is published at the "China Mail" Office, Wyndham Street, Hongkong, December 26, 1868.

NOTICE.

It is particularly requested that all communications relating to the general business of this paper, be addressed to the Proprietor, and in no case to individuals by name. Much delay and inconvenience in the transmission of business will thereby be avoided.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Our columns are open to all who wish to address the public on legitimate grounds, but we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

All communications addressed to this paper must be accompanied by the name of the sender, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

NOTES & QUERIES.

CHINA AND JAPAN.
Will be published To-morrow, 2d June, 1869.
"CHINA MAIL" Office,
Hongkong, June 1, 1869.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1869.

THE NATIVE HOSPITAL.

It is with much pleasure that we learn of steps having been taken by a number of influential Chinese residents in the Colony to remove the disgrace of inhospitality, by forming a hospital committee, with ample funds at its disposal to do all that is necessary for the purpose.

DEPARTURES.

June 1, 1869.
For Swatow, Amoy & Foochow, the "Kwang Tung," on Wednesday, the 2nd June, at 11 A.M.
For San Francisco, the "John L. Dimmock," on Wednesday, the 2nd June, at 4 P.M.
For Swatow, Amoy & Foochow, the "AZOE," on Thursday, the 3rd June, at 11 A.M.
For India, Europe, &c., the "La Compagnie des Services Maritimes des Messageries Impériales," the "TAOUC TIGRE," on Thursday, the 17th June, at 11 A.M.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE—
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reach of the class of patients for which it is intended.

A commission consisting of the Colonial Surgeon, the Inspector General of Schools, and the Registrar General was recently nominated by His Excellency to take this and other proposals made by the Committee into consideration. Their report has not yet been made public, but the advantages of the locality named were, we know, pressed upon their attention. If it be chosen and we could not suggest a better one, it would be necessary to clear the ground of some of the existing houses (they cannot be called houses) which are found there, a matter more easy to accomplish than private effort to accomplish. With a compound sufficiently large to admit of trees being planted and walk formed not only would additional healthiness be secured, but danger from fire would be avoided; while greater freedom from noise would be afforded to the patients. The building itself—we are not in possession of the details of its architecture—is, we believe to contain about 100 beds, and resident native doctors, nurses, &c., are to be attached to it. Vaccination will be performed gratuitously, and a certain amount of check upon native medical vagaries will be afforded by the agreement that some duly qualified European, appointed by the government, shall be permitted to inspect it bi-weekly, or daily, if necessary.

Such is a bare outline of the scheme as agreed to by the Committee and we believe submitted to the Commissioners who will, of course, make their own remarks, in modification or otherwise, of the proposals. But the erection and organization of such an establishment is not even with the most zealous aid the work of a day, and meantime something must be done for the class of native destitutes so largely increasing in this colony. It is all very well to say "take them to the Civil Hospital." A very large number of moribunds have indeed of late been received within its walls. But apart from the circumstance that the Civil Hospital is intended for curable cases rather than incurables, the effect of numbers being "brought in to die" is a painful to the regular class of patients. There is some whisper about that a proposal has been made to

MISCELLANEOUS.

SOME HOME GOSSIP.—The first correspondence of the *Review* given this week, contains a few snippets which come from the *Observer* of the Channel. Probably you have already heard that the Marquis of Waterford has just divorced the wife of a certain army reformer, and that the Lord of the Treasury is in the habit of calling on the said army reformer in his study. The fair fair one, daughter of a late Royal Navy cavalry officer, is in the somewhat of the handsomest young ladies of the husband and considerably older than the Marquis. The latter must be an awful age to ruin himself and his £36,000 a year to be thus actually seduced. For the poor husband, there is much sympathy in all quarters. Lord Waterford, who is a Captain in the 1st Life Guards, and a Member of the House of Commons, is a rather Marquis going to be a little more respectably. You will recollect, that poor old Hastings died, that told you the "wider" would not be long without a husband, notwithstanding the very unusual restrictions of the young Marquis's will, which limited his chief bequests to the lady only during widowhood. A romantic history about the Marquis's late wife, the Countess of Warwick, is given in the *Observer* of the 10th. Windsor, said how a reciprocal agreement sprung up in consequence. The romance is all in it settled, and that when the fair Marchioness recently can leave off weeds the widow will take place. The young Marquis, eldest son of the Duke of Devonshire, is not yet twenty-two, and a Lieutenant in the Royal Horse Guards. Will he look like the Marquis of Waterford, retire from the army, and marry the wife of a well-known English Lord, he said to have left his mother dead and buried with a fair American. Spain enjoys the honor of first receiving the lovers. What a strange world it is!

DR. CURRIE AND FREEMASONRY.—A Dublin correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, writing under date April 3, says:—"The Roman Catholics are violently agitated by the Cardinal's late denunciatory comments on the Freemasons. It is generally held that secret societies have been believed to have been an error, but the postscript to his letter to the Duke reneges all doubt. As Freemasonry is not justly so condemned. Several respectable gentlemen who have the years been sinning without knowing it have publicly renounced their errors; for the present, or, in other words, have withdrawn their names from the lodges to which they belonged; but the female portion of Dublin society, who are not so willing to submit to the Emancipator's tyranny, are busily preparing for them to attend the forthcoming Freemasons' ball, when the craft, headed by the Duke of Edinburgh and the grand master, entertains Prince Arthur at the Exhibition building. Women are devoted to their spiritual advisers, and ready to yield implicit obedience in all ordinary matters, but they do not hesitate now to expose their souls to the flames of hell for the sake of a few shillings. The Cardinal has not only refused to obey his bishop openly discussed. Nevertheless it is certain that very few, if any, Roman Catholics will attend, and Protestants must make up their minds to dance alone with Protestants."—

EPHRAIM'S EPIGRAMS.—The Bishop of Cork, who is "eloquent" through his ministers for the suggestive diaphanous in which he speaks by his secretaries, has, on the subject, was reported to have publicly signed Mr. Gladstone and his wife to the Devil. His friends state that Mr. Gross meant to refer only to bill-clipping, while to the wall, his lordship having previously alluded to the Premier as "Bill Gladstone." Nobody doubts, however, that the more technical form of satire was adopted; as the Bishop, in his life, has been confident in strong language. Occasionally he has let down to a profane level of wit, of which the following is a specimen taken from his latest extra-Church utterances:—"The bill had just got to through the House of Commons, where it would be slipped into shape. When it went into the House of Lords he trusted it would be locked in another sense. He hoped they would lick it like a bear and make it into a pig, and then, when they had made Mr. Gladstone a present of it, they could put it in his museum, and as Milton said, 'Grin on it.'" This ribald gabble was received with applause, and after an interval of seriousness occupied by the Earl of Bandon, a Mr. Puxley addressed the assemblage. "Let them go," remarked this wise orator, "if that dear Queen, God bless her, would not perjure herself. Let her own good sense tell her whether it is right for us to continue to support a man so openly warring of Gladstone, to take the opportunity of a poor woman's will to go to throne to confuse her and endeavor to make her commit perjury." If Prince Albert were living he would not dare do it. The poor Queen relied on her Ministers to advise her, and Gladstone, the traitor, the renegade, was one of them! Such was this language used at the Diocesan Conference of Cork, which wound up at this point the proceedings of the day.

A SHEPHERD'S STORY.—A strange story respecting a Ritualist curate in a small town thirteen or fourteen miles from Sheffield. The curate is said to have resolved to simulate the death, burial, and resurrection of the Saviour; and ordered a coffin to be got ready for him by Good Friday, expressing his intention to entomb himself from that day until Easter Sunday. The coffin was made of plain deal, with hammers and tools, and was placed in the church. On his lordship's arrival, on seeing it, immediately fainted. It was placed in the vestry, and several friends to visit him during the week preceding Good Friday, and his invitations were generally politely declined. Before the day of entombment arrived the vicar heard of the affair, and the coffin was placed in the church, who, however, noticed his intention, and was not present.

BY THE CAPE.—Newspapers just received have news of the death of one of the oldest missionaries in South Africa: the Rev. J. Bennie. Mr. Bennie went out to Kaffrland, in connection with the Glasgow Missionary Society, about half a century ago. He was a minister of the Free Kirk of Scotland.

A QUOTUS DISTRUSTION.—I have heard it remarked that the distinctive differences between an English and purely Italian race, is that the former is in the habit of passing over his head, while the latter is in the habit of passing over his head when coming into the world, while the Irish folk look on it, that, contrary the hand, has been given in passed over, the features in a contrary or upward direction.

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